

REMARKS

Pending claims 18-23 and were rejected by the Office Action for failure to comply with the enablement requirement of 35 U.S.C. § 112 paragraph 1. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

The Office Action takes the position that "[t]here is no disclosure that a pin entry device pin is not entered through the keyboard." Applicants disagree. Figure 1, for example, shows a keyboard 114 being separate from the PIN entry device 272. The specification also states, "[t]he data entry device 272 generally comprises a keypad or other input device for accepting a user-entered PIN." See Application publication (2001/0043702), page 9, paragraph 104. The specification further states that "[t]he data entry device 272 then accepts a user input data such as a PIN" (Application publication page 9, para 109). The Examiner is also directed again to paragraph 104, which states that reference item 272 is a PIN entry device. Clearly, according to the context of the specification, the PIN is entered into the PIN entry device and not the keyboard.

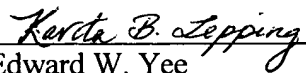
"In order to make a rejection, the examiner has the initial burden to establish a reasonable basis to question the enablement provided for the claimed invention." See MPEP §2164.04, citing *In re Wright*, 999 F.2d 1557, 1562, 27 USPQ2d 1510, 1513 (Fed. Cir. 1993). Because the specification supports the claim limitation of "the PIN entry device being different from a keyboard", Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner has not met her burden and that present claims 18-23 are fully enabled. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants request that the Examiner issue a Notice of Allowance indicating the allowability of

claims 18-23 and that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is hereby invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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